

## NEWBERY BOOK PROJECTS

As a project for this year, your child gets to do something very special. Each eight weeks or so during the first semester, your child gets to pick a Newbery Award-winning book or a Newbery Honor book, read it, and do a project on it for a grade. Here are step by step directions for the projects and reports:

1. Help your child select a Newbery Award-winning book or Newbery Honor book that he/she would enjoy reading. (You can Google Newbery Award winners or Honors books and several websites will provide a list of books from which to choose.) *\*Please review your child's selection. Some Newbery books have more mature themes than others.\**
2. Read the book. Some books are longer and harder, so keep that in mind while selecting books. I also encourage you to discuss with your child what he/she is reading.
3. Create a project based on the book. I have provided various project ideas to help your child have a wide selection in order to find things that suit him/her.
4. Turn the project in for a grade. Here are the deadlines for each seven weeks project:
  - A. First project: **October 5, 2017**
  - B. Second project: **December 1, 2017**

**(We will be working on different types of projects after Christmas break, so you will get more information then)**

### **RULES ABOUT YOUR PROJECT:**

1. Your child cannot do the same type of project more than once, so choose a different types of project each time.
2. You may help your child with the reading, and give assistance when needed on the projects, but the project and **MUST be student-created, including any writing/typing to be done.**
3. I will give plenty of reminders as the due dates draw near, but five points will be subtracted for every day the project is late. If it is not completed within five school days of the due date, it will result in a zero for that project grade.
4. I definitely don't want or expect parents to go out and spend a lot of money on these projects, so be creative! This is how students will be graded:
  - A. Information and Understanding- 60%
  - B. Neatness- 20%
  - C. Effort- 20%

Your child will also be taking an Accelerated Reader test on the book when he/she finishes, so make sure it's a book he/she hasn't taken an AR test for already! That will be counted as a reading grade. Once they have turned their projects in, we will spend the next week doing 2-4 minute presentations for each other. If you have any questions, email your teacher at

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